OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

PROPOSED ORDER

FURTHER DESIGNATION OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY (106) HYDROGRAPHIC BASIN IN DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEVADA

WHEREAS, NRS 534.120 provides that within an area that has been designated by the State Engineer where, in his judgment, the ground water basin is being depleted, the State Engineer in his administrative capacity is empowered to make such rules, regulations and orders as are deemed essential for the welfare of the area involved.

WHEREAS, the State Engineer has designated the Antelope Valley Hydrographic Basin (106) as provided under NRS 534.010 to 534.190, inclusive, by the following Order:

1. Order No. 714, dated May 25, 1978, and

WHEREAS, the United States Geological Survey estimates the perennial yield of the Antelope Valley Hydrographic Basin is 2,600 acre-feet annually, excluding any recharge obtained from secondary recharge from surface water irrigation, and

WHEREAS, the existing permits and certificates of record at the State Engineer's Office from ground water withdrawal within the Antelope Valley Hydrographic Basin exceed the perennial yield.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ordered that, any application seeking to change an existing irrigation right may be limited to the consumptive duty, at the discretion of the State Engineer, and it is ordered that, with the following exceptions, applications filed to appropriate water from the ground water source pursuant to Chapter 534 within the designated Antelope Valley Hydrographic Basin will be denied.

EXCEPTIONS:

- 1. Those applications filed for commercial, industrial, stockwater or wildlife purposes and only those applications that seek to appropriate 1,800 gallons per day or less and where the property is zoned for such purposes.
- 2. Those applications for environmental permits filed pursuant to NRS 533.437.